

IN THE CLAIMS:

The following is a complete list of the claims now pending; this listing replaces all earlier versions and listings of the claims. Please cancel claims 11-18 without prejudice or disclaimer of subject matter. Please amend claims 1-10, 19 and 20, and add claims 21 and 22 as follows.

1. (Currently Amended) A character-string information output apparatus for outputting character-string information ~~in a command format~~ supported by a predetermined character encoding scheme, comprising:

a search means ~~that performs searches for plural commands identical in content~~ for searching, from an external memory, the character-string information having identical contents and supported by a plurality of character encoding schemes, when output of the character-string information is instructed;

~~a command extraction means that extracts an interpretable command from the searched plural commands~~ for extracting the character encoding scheme interpretable by said character-string information output apparatus from the character encoding schemes supporting the character-string information searched by said search means; and

a character-string information output means ~~that outputs for outputting the character-string information of the extracted command~~ supported by the extracted character encoding scheme.

2. (Currently Amended) A character-string information output apparatus according to claim 1, further comprising:  
a font information search means ~~that performs a search for~~ for searching font information corresponding to the character string information ~~of the~~ extracted command supported by the extracted character encoding scheme, wherein  
said character-string information output means outputs the character-string information based on the searched font information ~~searched by said font~~ information search means.

3. (Currently Amended) A character-string information output apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said character-string information output means outputs the character-string information ~~of at least two commands, one having character string information compatible with a limited language alone, and the other having character string information compatible with plural languages supported by the character encoding scheme capable of responding to only a limited language and the character-string information supported by the character encoding scheme capable of responding to a plurality of languages.~~

4. (Currently Amended) A character-string information output apparatus according to claim 1 or 2, wherein ~~a command with an interpretable character string is automatically selected and outputted~~ said character-string information output means automatically selects the character encoding scheme extracted by said extraction

means and outputs the character-string information supported by the selected character encoding scheme.

5. (Currently Amended) A character-string information output apparatus according to claim 2, wherein if ~~there is no~~ said character-string information means does not have the font information corresponding to the character-string information ~~of the extracted command, the character string information is outputted based on supported~~ by the extracted character encoding scheme, said character-string information output means outputs the character-string information by using another font information.

6. (Currently Amended) A character-string information output apparatus according to claim 2, wherein if ~~there is no~~ said character-string information means does not have the font information corresponding to the character-string information ~~of the extracted command, the character string information is not outputted supported by~~ the extracted character encoding scheme, said character-string information output means does not output the character-string information.

7. (Currently Amended) A character-string information output system provided with a character-string information recording apparatus and a character-string information output apparatus, wherein

said character-string information recording apparatus comprises:

~~a command analyzing means that analyzes plural commands~~  
with character string information identical in content for analyzing a plurality of character

encoding schemes supporting character-string information having contents identical with contents of inputted character-string information; and

a command recording means that records the analyzed plural commands for recording the character-string information supported by the plurality of the analyzed character encoding schemes in an external memory, and

said character-string information output apparatus comprises:

a search means that performs searches for plural commands with character-string information identical in content for searching, from the external memory, the character-string information having identical contents and supported by the plurality of character encoding schemes, when output of the character-string information is instructed;

a command extraction means that extracts an interpretable command from the searched plural commands for extracting the character encoding scheme interpretable by said character-string information output apparatus from the character encoding schemes supporting the character-string information searched by said search means; and

a character-string information output means that outputs the character string information of the extracted command for outputting the character-string information supported by the extracted character encoding scheme.

8. (Currently Amended) A character-string information output method comprising the steps of:

~~analyzing plural commands with character string information  
identical in content a plurality of character encoding schemes supporting character-string  
information having contents identical with contents of inputted character-string  
information;~~

~~recording the analyzed plural commands the character-string  
information supported by the plurality of the analyzed character encoding schemes in an  
external memory;~~

~~performing searches for plural commands with the character string  
information identical in the content searching, from the external memory, the character-  
string information having identical contents and supported by the plurality of character  
encoding schemes, when output of the character-string information is instructed;~~

~~extracting an interpretable command from the searched commands  
an interpretable character encoding scheme from the character encoding schemes  
supporting the character-string information searched in said search step; and~~

~~outputting the character-string information of the extracted  
command supported by the extracted character encoding scheme.~~

9. (Currently Amended) A storage medium in which a computer-readable program is stored, wherein said program comprises the steps of:

~~analyzing plural commands with character string information  
identical in content a plurality of character encoding schemes supporting character-string  
information having contents identical with contents of inputted character-string  
information;~~

recording the analyzed plural commands character-string  
information supported by the plurality of the analyzed character encoding schemes in an  
external memory;

performing searches for plural commands with the character string  
information identical in the content searching, from the external memory, the character-  
string information having identical contents and supported by the plurality of character  
encoding schemes, when output of the character-string information is instructed;

extracting an interpretable command from the searched commands  
an interpretable character encoding scheme from the character encoding schemes  
supporting the character-string information searched in said search step; and

outputting the character-string information of the extracted  
command supported by the extracted character encoding scheme.

10. (Currently Amended) A character-string information recording  
apparatus for recording inputted character-string information in a command format by a  
plurality of character encoding schemes, comprising:

a command analyzing means that analyzes plural commands with  
character string information identical in content for analyzing a plurality of character  
encoding schemes supporting character-string information having contents identical with  
contents of inputted character-string information; and

a command recording means that records the analyzed plural  
commands for recording the character-string information supported by the plurality of the  
analyzed character encoding schemes in an external memory.

11-18. (Cancelled)

19. (Currently Amended) A character-string information input output method for inputting outputting character-string information being supported by a predetermined character encoding scheme in a command format, comprising the steps of:

instructing input of character string information;

performing searches for plural commands with character string information identical in content to the character string information the input of which has been instructed searching, from an external memory, the character-string information having identical contents and supported by a plurality of character encoding schemes, when output of the character-string information is instructed;

extracting an interpretable command from the searched plural commands an interpretable character encoding scheme from the character encoding schemes supporting the searched character-string information; and

outputting input information of the extracted command the character string information supported by the extracted character encoding scheme; and

inputting the character string information based on the input information outputted for the extracted command.

20. (Currently Amended) A storage medium in which a computer-readable program is stored, wherein said program comprises the steps of:

instructing input of character string information;

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~~performing searches for plural commands with character string information identical in content to the instructed character string information searching, from an external memory, the character-string information having identical contents and supported by a plurality of character encoding schemes, when output of the character-string information is instructed;~~

~~extracting an interpretable command from the searched plural commands an interpretable character encoding scheme from the character encoding schemes supporting the searched character-string information; and~~

~~outputting input information for the extracted command the character-string information supported by the extracted character encoding scheme; and~~

~~inputting the character string information based on the input information outputted for the extracted command.~~

21. (New) A character-string information recording method of recording inputted character-string information by a plurality of character encoding schemes, comprising the steps of:

analyzing the plurality of character encoding schemes supporting character-string information having contents identical with contents of the inputted character-string information; and

recording the character-string information supported by the plurality of the analyzed character encoding schemes in an external memory.



22. (New) A storage medium in which a computer-readable program is stored, wherein said program comprises the steps of:

analyzing the plurality of character encoding schemes supporting character-string information having contents identical with contents of inputted character-string information; and

recording the character-string information supported by the plurality of the analyzed character encoding schemes in an external memory.

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